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## **EDUCATION**

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- PhD. 2007 **University of California Los Angeles, Geography (USA)**  
Dissertation: Cosmopolitanism in the City: Contested Claims to Bodies and Sexualities in Beyoğlu, Istanbul
- M.A. 2001 **University of California Riverside, Art History (USA)**  
MA: Old Buildings / New Faces: Urban and Social Change in Galata, Istanbul
- B.A. 1999 **Boğaziçi University Istanbul, Sociology (Turkey)**

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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- 03/2019 – 12/2019 Senior Research Fellow, Berliner Institut für empirische Integrations und Migrationsforschung Humboldt University Berlin
- 09/2018 – 02/2019 Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung Visiting Researcher, Alice Salomon University Berlin
- 06/2018 – 08/2018 Academy in Exile Fellow, Forum Transregionale Studien Berlin
- 03/2018 – 08/2018 Visiting Lecturer, The University of Art and Industrial Design Linz, Austria
- 09/2010 – 08/2012 Assistant Professor and Vice Chair, Istanbul Yeditepe University Department of Anthropology
- 10/2009 – 05/2017 Part time Lectureships at Marmara University, Istanbul Technical University, Bilgi University Cultural Studies MA Program and Boğaziçi University in Istanbul
- 09/2007 – 04/2009 Economic and Social Research Council Research Fellow, The Open University Geography, UK

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES**

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- 09/ 2012 – 11/2018 Campaigns and Activism Coordinator, Amnesty International Turkey
- 09/2004 – 12/2012 Member and Co-Chair of Board, Amargi Women's Cooperative Istanbul
- 04/ 2010 – 12/ 2010 Project Coordinator - Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Matra project, Istanbul LambdaIstanbul LGBT Solidarity Association, KAOS-GL, COC Nederland
- 03/ 2008 – 06/ 2009 Member, Centre for Citizenship, Identities and Governance, The Open University UK
- 05/2008 Co – organizer with Dr. Veronica Della Dora  
“Landscapings: Iconographies and Beyond” International Symposium in honour of Prof. Denis E. Cosgrove, Geography Department at University of California Los Angeles
- 10/2007 Co – organizer with Prof. Patricia Morton  
*Ambivalent Geographies: Empire and Histories of Architecture* International Symposium at History of Art Department University of California Riverside
- 11/2005 Aural Performance “Femme Strolls”  
Art walk exhibition *strange strolls*, Curator: Perdita Phillips  
Moores Building Contemporary Art Gallery, Fremantle – Australia

## **PERSONAL SKILLS**

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**Languages:** Turkish (Native Language), English (Fluent), Modern Greek (Beginner), German (Beginner)

## TEACHING EXPERINCE

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**Lecturer**, MA Social Work as a Human Rights Profession in Alice Salomon University Berlin  
“Social Advertising and Campaigning for Human Rights” in Human Rights in Advocacy: Lobby and Communication Strategies Module

**Lecturer**, The University of Art and Industrial Design Linz, Austria  
Course: Gender and Sexuality in Turkey

**Part time Lectureships**, Marmara University, Istanbul Technical University, Bilgi University and Boğaziçi University  
Courses: Sexuality Troubles and Queer Theory, New Social Movements, Urban Sociology, Seminar on Social Movements, Sociology of Gender, City and Society, Sociology of Organisations

**Assistant Professor**, Yeditepe University Department of Anthropology  
Courses: Feminist Ethnography, Gender and Culture, Community Awareness, Social Problems, Cultural Anthropology, Regional Studies, Global Cities, Human Geography

**Lecturer**, University of California Los Angeles Department of Geography  
Courses: Feminist Geography: speaking across worlds (co-sponsored with Women Studies), Middle East: Spaces, Gender, Sexuality, Teaching College Geography

**Teaching Assistant**, University of California Los Angeles Department of Geography  
Courses: Globalisation Concepts and History, Cultural Geography, African Ecology and Development, People and the Earth’s Ecosystem, Physical Geography

**Teaching Assistant**, University of California Riverside Department of Art History  
Courses: History of Western Art: Baroque to Modern Art, History of Western Art: Prehistory to Byzantium  
Gluck Teaching Fellow in the Arts, UC Riverside  
ArtsBridge Teaching Scholar in the Arts, UC Riverside

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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2019	Einstein Fellowship, Berlin
2018	Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung Scholarship for International Scholars, Berlin
2018	Academy in Exile Scholarship, Forum Transregionale Studien, Berlin
2001 – 2007	University of California Los Angeles Awards: Society of Women Geographers Award, Dissertation Year Fellowship, Department of Geography Teaching Award, Department of Geography Citizenship Award, Henry Bruman Fellowship in Cultural Geography, Travel Grants, Alexander Von Humboldt Stipend
1999 – 2001	University of California Riverside Awards: Gluck Graduate Fellowship, Art History Departmental Grant, ArtsBridge Scholarship
1999	Boğaziçi University B.A. Degree awarded with Honors

## SELECTED TALKS and RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

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02/2019 “Is Love Still Possible? - Queering Politics in Turkey” Blickwechsel Contemporary Turkey Studies, Humboldt University Berlin

01/2019 “Trapped on the islands: Politics of Solidarity and Survival in Lesvos Greece” Alice Salomon Hochschule Berlin

06/2018 “Let’s Talk about Turkey: Defending Human Rights in a Climate of Fear” Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung Berlin

07/2017 “Forced Evictions and Dispossession in Sur-Diyarbakir” in Forum Dispossession and Forced Migration in Sur, Istanbul [Turkish]

12/2016 “No Safe Refuge: Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Europe,” Arel University, İstanbul [Turkish]

05/2016 “Jack Halberstam and Queer” in KAOS-GL Queer Lectures, Ankara University [Turkish]

04/2016 “Global Crises in Human Rights: Refugees and Asylum Seekers,” in Initiative of Freedom of Expression 9<sup>th</sup> International İstanbul Gathering

04/2016 “Space and Touch: Queer possibilities of resistance” in SPOD LGBTI Organisation Spring Conference [Turkish]

02/2016 “Gendered perspectives on refugee rights in Turkey” in Co-Opinion, Regional Development, Refugee Crisis, and Youth Unemployment Workshop, Gaziantep [Turkish]

07/2015 “Queer assemblages of protest: rethinking Gezi Park protests” in International Conference of Critical Geography, Ramallah-Palestine

06/2015 “Spatial Desires / Queer Assemblages” in Sex & Capital 9<sup>th</sup> European Feminist Research Conference Keynote Lecture, Finland

04/2013 “Found in Translation: Performing Queer Injuries and Desires” in Annual Association of American Geographers Conference, Los Angeles

03/2013 “2<sup>nd</sup> wave feminist movement, sexuality and interactions between the LBGT and feminist movements in Turkey” in Grounding Cosmopolitanism Conference, Bahcesehir University (with Ayse Gul Altinay)

11/2012 “Feminist Ethnology: intersectional approaches to research and methodology,” Bremen University Institute of Cultural Studies and Cultural Anthropology

05/2012 “Feminist Publics and Queer Injuries: performing sexualities in İstanbul’s streets,” Center for Advanced Studies Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich

07/2009 “Women’s narratives on gender and sexuality in İstanbul” McGhee Centre for Eastern Mediterranean Studies Georgetown University

11/2008 “Experiencing Urban Space” in Urban MultipliCITIES Conference, Queen Mary University London (with Prof. Gillian Rose)

10/2008 “Is Beyoglu a liberated place?: sexuality, gender, and cosmopolitanism in İstanbul’s streets” in Department of Geography Seminar Series, University of Sheffield

04/2007 “Doing Fieldwork: A Physical and Psychological Challenge” in Annual Association of American Geographers Conference, San Francisco

02/2007 “Lesbian Invisibility in İstanbul: Propriety and Politics” in Thinking Gender Conference, UCLA Women Studies

04/2005 “Not yet: lesbian mobilities and activism in İstanbul” in Annual Association of American Geographers Conference, Denver

11/2002 “Visual and Lived Experience of Everyday Cosmopolitanism” in Art History Department Graduate Student Symposium, Yale University